**Chairperson:** Supervisor Elizabeth Coggs-Jones 278-4265

**Committee Clerk:** Jodi Mapp, 278-4073 **Research Analyst:** Martin Weddle, 278-5289

# COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN NEEDS Wednesday, June 14, 2006 - 9:00 A.M. Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

# **MINUTES**

CASSETTE #: 29; Side A, 001 to 618

**PRESENT:** Supervisors West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones

(Chair)

# **SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

# **APPOINTMENTS - 1**

1. 06-267 From the County Board Chairman, appointing Ms. Bernell Hooker, Chief Executive Officer, Images of Us (IOU) Sports, to serve on the Youth Sports Authority Board of Directors for a term expiring December 31, 2006.

#### **APPEARANCE:**

Terrence Cooley, Chief of Staff, County Board

27 Mr. Cooley introduced Ms. Hooker, who provided brief comments.

ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve. 7-0

**AYES:** West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-

Jones (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** 0

## **DEPARTMENT ON AGING - 1**

2. 06HN16 From the Director, Department on Aging, submitting an updated informational report on the March 2006 and Year-to-Date Income Statement of the Care Management Organization (CMO) under Family Care. (Also to Finance and Audit Committee) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERSWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

#### **APPEARANCES:**

James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging Alicia Treadwell, Home Health Care Worker, Local 150

Mr. Hodson summarized the said report and explained that what the report reflects is year-to-date numbers through March 2006. He reviewed revenues, expenditures, and surplus.

Questions and comments ensued.

- Ms. Alicia Treadwell addressed the Committee and questioned the Department on Aging as to when the rate increases will go into effect and whether or not the rate increases will be retroactive. Ms. Stein indicated that it is the Department's intent to honor the rate increases for the people who work in this program. She stated that they plan to do everything they can without putting the program in jeopardy or causing any undue future problems. Ms. Stein was unable to give an exact date as to when this will take place, but stated that once everything has been worked out and approval is received from the Department of Administrative Services to move ahead, all concerned parties will be notified.
- Madame Chair indicated that this particular issue regarding the rate increase would be posted each upcoming cycle as an informational update to keep everyone involved abreast and knowledgeable of the progress.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

# **DISABILITIES SERVICES DIVISION – 1**

3. 06-280 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to add 2005 Carryover Funds to the Non-Lapsing Risk Reserve created for the Disabilities Services Division's Long-Term Support Programs. (Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit)

ACTION BY: (West) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-

Jones (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** 0

# BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIVISION - 3

4. 06-5 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, (a)(f) requesting authorization to increase the Behavioral Health Division's 2006 Purchase of Service Contract with Fighting Back, Inc. by \$58,573 for the purpose of expanding youth-focused alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and education services.

ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-

Jones (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** 

5. 06-5 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services,
(a)(g) requesting authorization to increase the Behavioral Health Division's
2006 Purchase of Service Contract with Our Space, Inc. by \$74,687 and
to terminate the 2006 Professional Services Contract With the Mental
Health Association of Milwaukee County for the purpose of
consolidating oversight and administration of various peer support and
mental health consumer activities and initiatives.

#### **APPEARANCE:**

Jim Hill, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division, DHHS

Supervisor Clark questioned whether or not the Mental Health
Association has been advised that their professional services contract will
be terminated. Mr. Hill stated that the Mental Health Association
has been contacted and properly advised.

ACTION BY: (Clark) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-

Jones (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** 0

6. 06HN17 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, submitting an informational report regarding projected variances in the Behavioral Health Division's 2006 Budget. (Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERSWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

## **APPEARANCE:**

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

Mr. Henken stated that what is essentially being reported is not a projected deficit but simply some variances, which are of some significance in a number of different areas of the Behavioral Health Division's (BHD) budget. He indicated that they are still projecting no deficit. The existence of an unbudgeted revenue source known as the Wisconsin Medicaid Cost Report (WIMCR) was also mentioned which essentially reflects their ability, with the help of the state, to draw down federal matching funds for the cost of certain services that exceed

Medicaid reimbursement. Mr. Henken went on to state that in addition to addressing the other challenges in terms of their 2007 requested budget and meeting their targets, these challenges will also be addressed in their budget request. He indicated that there are some structural issues in the BHD budget that need to be addressed primarily in the area of personal services but also in the areas of utilities and pharmacy costs. This is something that has been previously reported. Mr. Henken emphasized that as long as efforts continue to successfully maximize all available federal and state revenue sources, the Department will be able to maintain.

Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

# **COUNTY HEALTH PROGRAMS DIVISION -1**

7. 05-544 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to continue a month-to-month extension with Claims Processing Receivables, Inc. for paramedic billing services.

#### **APPEARANCES:**

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services John Chianelli, Director, County Health Programs, DHHS

Mr. Henken explained that they came before the Committee in December with a request to do a month-to-month extension of their existing paramedic billing contract for six months. An RFP was done and there was a recommendation made to Mr. Chianelli and Mr. Henken by a review panel to award the billing contract to a new vendor. Mr. Henken also stated that before they had an opportunity to bring that recommendation before this Committee, there were several Freedom of Information Act requests, which lead to litigation. These issues are still pending. Mr. Henken indicated they are requesting authorization to continue this contract on a month-to-month basis until such time as the pending issues get resolved that have been raised regarding a permanent contract. They would then essentially be able to come back before this Committee with a recommendation for the July or September cycle.

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (West) Approve. 7-0

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-

Jones (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** 0

# **ADDENDUM ITEM**

8. 06-299 From the County Executive, appointing Mr. Robert C. Brunner, River Hills Village President, to serve on the Emergency Medical Services Council for a term expiring April 30, 2008.

## **APPEARANCE:**

Fran Rudig, Executive Assistant, County Executive's Office

Ms. Rudig introduced Mr. Brunner, who provided brief comments.

Questions and comments ensued.

Madame Chair indicated that she would like a written memorandum from the County Executive's Office prior to this month's County Board Meeting regarding an initiative to create three slots that would be dedicated specifically for diversity on this council. The County Board would, in turn, work with the County Executive's Office to prepare these slots to be considered for the July cycle.

ACTION BY: (Rice) Approve. 7-0

**AYES:** West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-

Jones (Chair) - 7

**NOES:** 0

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Terrance Cooley, Chief of Staff, County Board
Fran Rudig, Executive Assistant, County Executive's Office
James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging
Jim Hill, Administrator, Behavioral Health Division, DHHS
Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
John Chianelli, Director, County Health Programs, DHHS
Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, County Board

This meeting was recorded on tape. The foregoing items were not necessarily considered in agenda order. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes is available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting: 9:07 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.

Adjourned,

Committee Clerk

Todi Mapp

Committee on Health and Human Needs